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Machine

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

On November 24, 2004, Applicant filed a Response To Office Action. This response contained a typographical error that Applicant wishes to correct by this paper. Specifically, Applicant's November 24, 2004 response inadvertently left out the word "not" in the sentence beginning at page 8, line 6. This sentence should have read as follows:

Claim 17 includes "a means for extracting the data from the memory in accordance with the received data request signal", which Applicant respectfully submits is not disclosed in the prior art. The same is true for claims 18 and 19, which depend from claim 17.

Applicant apologizes for this typographical error and regrets any inconvenience it might have caused.

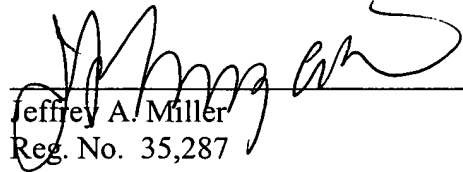
Applicant does not believe any fees are necessary for this Supplemental paper. However, if any additional fees are required, the Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 15-0665.

Respectfully submitted,

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